

5800. Adulteration of cream. U. S. * * * v. Willardale Creamery, a corporation. Plea of nolo contendere. Fine, \$25. (F. & D. No. 8254. I. S. No. 9678-1.)

On June 15, 1917, the United States attorney for the District of Massachusetts, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district an information against the Willardale Creamery, a corporation, Lawrence, Mass., alleging shipment by said company, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, on or about April 19, 1916, from the State of Massachusetts into the State of New Hampshire, of a quantity of cream which was adulterated.

Analysis of a sample of the article by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed the following results:

Fat (per cent).....	16.23
Starch (per cent).....	.58

This product is deficient in butter fat and contains added starch.

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the information for the reason that a certain substance, to wit, starch, had been mixed and packed therewith so as to reduce and lower and injuriously affect its quality and strength, and had been substituted in part for cream, which the article purported to be, and for the further reason that a certain valuable constituent of the article, to wit, butter fat, had been in part abstracted therefrom.

On June 28, 1917, the defendant company entered a plea of nolo contendere to the information, and the court imposed a fine of \$25.

CARL VROOMAN, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*